

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: CORAL SEA CEREMONIES

REF: STATE 086041

SUGGESTED TEXT FOR PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO BE DELIVERED AT  
CORAL SEA FUNCTIONS FOLLOWS: QUOTE I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND  
THE GREETINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA TO ALL NEW ZEALANDERS ON THIS THIRTY-THIRD  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF THE CORAL SEA.

DESPITE THE CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN THE WORLD  
SINCE 1942 THE TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES HAVE REMAINED  
CONSTANT AND ARE WELL DEMONSTRATED TODAY BY THE PRESENCE OF  
SECRETARY WEINBERGER IN NEW ZEALAND WHILE PRIME MINISTER  
ROWLING IS VISITING THE UNITED STATES. LET US PLEDGE TO  
CONTINUE THE FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION THAT HAS BEEN A  
HALLMARK OF OUR RELATIONSHIP.

IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES LET US ALSO USE THIS OCCASION  
TO REDEDICATE OURSELVES TO THE SEARCH FOR PEACE FOR ALL  
OF MANKIND. SURELY, THERE IS NOT GREATER GOAL.

I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND TO YOU AND TO ALL THE PEOPLE  
OF NEW ZEALAND MY PERSONAL GREETINGS AND VERY BEST  
WISHES. GERALD R. FORD. END QUOTE  
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